

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as shown below. This Listing of Claims will replace prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1-21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:  
a providing unit configured that provides an input screen for inputting a product name;  
a database configured that stores registered trademark image information and genuine-product-specific information corresponding to the product name;  
an input unit configured to that inputs product data acquired by scanning a product; and  
a determining unit configured to that determines that a the product is a genuine product when the determining unit determines that the product data input by the input unit includes the registered trademark image information and the genuine-product-specific information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screenfirst information and second information, determining determine that the product is a counterfeit product when the determining unit determines that the product data input by the input unit includes the registered trademark image information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screenthe first information and does not include the genuine-product-specific information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screenthe second information, and determining determine that the product is neither a genuine product nor a counterfeit product when the determining unit determines that the product data input by the input unit does not include the registered trademark image information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screenthe first information and the second information.

23. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the product determined to be neither a genuine product nor a counterfeit product includes a third party product.

24-26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the second information is written in a micro-character.

28. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising a notification unit configured to that notify notifies another terminal of a determination result obtained by the determining unit.

29. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 22, wherein when the determining unit determines that a product is a counterfeit product, the notification unit notifies a counterfeit-product's regulatory authority terminal of the determination result.

30. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the product includes toner for a printer.

31. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising a storage unit configured to that stores the determination result obtained by the determining unit and user information inputted by the input unit.

32. (Currently Amended) An-A method for information processing using a database to store registered trademark image information and genuine-product-specific information corresponding to a product name, the method comprising:

a providing step of providing an input screen for inputting the product name;  
an inputting step of inputting product data acquired by scanning a product;  
a first determining step of determining whether the product data input in the

inputting step includes the registered trademark image information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screen ~~first information~~;

a second determining step of determining whether the product data input in the inputting step includes the genuine-product-specific information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screen ~~second information~~; and

a third determining step of determining whether the product is a genuine product, a counterfeit product or neither a genuine product nor a counterfeit product, in accordance with a determination result in the first determining step and the second determining step.

33. (Currently Amended) The ~~information processing~~-method according to claim 32, wherein the product determined to be neither a genuine product nor a counterfeit product includes a third party product.

34-36. (Canceled)

37. (Currently Amended) The ~~information processing~~-method according to claim 32, wherein the second information is written in a micro-character.

38. (Currently Amended) The ~~information processing~~-method according to claim 32, further comprising a notifying step of notifying another terminal of the determination result obtained in the third determining step.

39. (Currently Amended) The ~~information processing~~-method according to claim 32, wherein when it is determined that the product is the counterfeit product in the third determining step, the determination result is notified to the counterfeit-product's regulatory authority terminal.

40. (Currently Amended) The ~~information processing~~-method according to claim 32, wherein the product includes toner for a printer.

41. (Currently Amended) The ~~information processing~~-method according to claim 32, further comprising a storing step of storing the determination result obtained in the third determining step and user information inputted in the inputting step.

42. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage medium that stores a program module for executing ~~an-a method for~~ information processing ~~method using a database to store registered trademark image information and genuine-product-specific information corresponding to a product name~~, the program module comprising:

~~a providing step of providing an input screen for inputting the product name;~~  
~~an inputting step of inputting product data acquired by scanning a product;~~  
a first determining step of determining whether the product data input in the inputting step includes ~~the registered trademark image information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screen~~~~first information~~;  
a second determining step of determining whether the product data input in the inputting step includes ~~the genuine-product-specific information in the database corresponding to the product name input in the input screen~~~~second information~~; and  
a third determining step of determining whether the product is a genuine product, a counterfeit product or neither a genuine product nor a counterfeit product, in accordance with a determination result in the first determining step and the second determining step.